GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

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CIVIL REFORMS IN KASHMIR
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to bring civil reforms in Kashmir;

(b) if so, the details of civil reforms package contemplated; and

(c) the steps taken and being taken to implement the civil reforms in the State?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CH. VIDYASAGAR RAO)

(a) to (c): The Government conjointly with the State Government of J&K, is continuing to pursue a multi-pronged strategy to bring peace and normalcy in the State. The three major prongs of the strategy are
(i) proactive tackling of cross border terrorism within J&K;
(ii) accelerated economic development of the State,
(iii) being prepared to talk with any group of people within the State who eschew the path of violence. Necessary refinements in the above strategy continue to be made as per requirements from time to time.